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AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

Attached hereto are six (6) sheets of corrected formal drawings. The corrected formal

drawings incorporate the following drawing changes:

In FIGs. 4A-4F, the gray background has been removed;

In FIGs. 4E-F, the pictures at the left-upper corner have been replaced by different

pictures for clarity purpose.

It is respectfully requested that the corrected formal drawings be approved and made a

part of the record of the above-identified application.

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Replacement Sheets

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Applicants appreciate the Examiner's thorough consideration provided the present

application. Claims 1-13 are now present in the application. The drawings and claims 1, 7 and 9

REMARKS

have been amended. Claims 1 and 7 are independent. Reconsideration of this application, as

amended, is respectfully requested.

Drawings Objections

The drawings have been objected because FIG. 4E contain smudges that preclude the

word "zhu" and the pictures on the side of the figures. Applicants have submitted six (6) sheets

of corrected formal drawings to address the Examiner's requested changes and to provide clarity

of the drawings. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the objection are respectfully requested.

Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 112

Claim 9 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for

failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicants regard as

the invention. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

In view of the foregoing amendments, it is respectfully submitted that this rejection has

been addressed. Accordingly, all pending claims are now definite and clear. Reconsideration

and withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, are therefore

respectfully requested.

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Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §§ 102 & 103

Claims 1-4, 6-8 and 10-13 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated

by Wasowicz, U.S. Patent No. 6,755,657. Claims 5 and 9 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §

103(a) as being unpatentable over Wasowicz in view of Burtis, U.S. Patent No. 4,089,124.

These rejections are respectfully traversed.

In light of the foregoing amendments to the claims, Applicants respectfully submit that

these rejections has been obviated and/or rendered moot. As the Examiner will note,

independent claims 1 and 7 have been amended.

Independent claim 1 now recites "a spelling database, which stores more than one set of

original spelling datum and a plurality of associated clues; a problem generating module, which

extracts an original spelling datum along with the associated clues from the spelling database

according to a current difficulty level, wherein the clues in higher difficulty level are fewer than

the clues in lower difficulty level; a display module, which displays the clues according to the

current difficulty level within a predetermined time; an input receiving module, which accepts an

input from the learner within a predetermined time; and a result comparison module, which

compares the learner's input with the original spelling datum of the problem generating module

and outputs a comparison result."

Independent claim 7 now recites "displaying information clues associated with a spelling

datum according to the current difficulty level, wherein the clues in higher difficulty level are

fewer than the clues in lower difficulty level; receiving an input from the user within a

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predetermined time predetermined for the current difficulty level; comparing the input with the

original spelling datum; and notifying the user if the comparison result is correct."

Applicants respectfully submit that the above combinations of elements and steps set

forth in claims 1 and 7 are not disclosed or suggested by the references relied on by the Examiner.

Wasowicz discloses a system that may include one or more modules that test and train a

different set of skills. Each module may include one or more different tasks (implemented as

interactive graphical games) that train a particular skill or set of skills of the user. Wasowicz

further discloses a game file database may store one or more modules (and one or more

games/tasks for each module) of the training tool wherein each module trains a different set of

skills.

On the other hand, the present application discloses a spelling database which stores more

than one set of original spelling datum and a plurality of associated clues; and a problem

generating module, which extracts an original spelling datum along with the associated clues

from the spelling database according to a current difficulty level, wherein the clues in higher

difficulty level are fewer than the clues in lower difficulty level. Therefore, the spelling database

and the problem generating module functions differently from the game file of Wasowicz.

Further, Wasowicz fails to disclose different levels of difficulty correspond to different

clue combinations. In the present application, the higher the difficulty level is, the fewer clues

the system will provide.

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Therefore, Applicants respectfully submit that the above combinations of elements and

steps as set forth in amended independent claims 1 and 7 are not disclosed nor suggested by

Wasowicz relied on by the Examiner.

With regard to the Examiner's reliance on Burtis, this reference has only been relied on

for its teachings related to the subject matter of dependent claims. This reference also fails to

disclose the above combinations of elements and steps as set forth in amended independent

claims 1 and 7. Accordingly, Burtis fails to cure the deficiencies of Wasowicz.

Accordingly, neither of the references utilized by the Examiner individually or in

combination teaches or suggests the limitations of amended independent claims 1 and 7 or their

dependent claims. Therefore, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 1 and 7 and their

dependent claims clearly define over the teachings of the references relied on by the Examiner.

Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections under 35 U.S.C. §§ 102

and 103 are respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the Office Action, and

that as such, the Examiner is respectfully requested to send the application to Issue.

In the event there are any matters remaining in this application, the Examiner is invited to

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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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